

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

New claims 16-20, which depend from claim 4, have been added. The new claims are fully supported by the original disclosure. No new matter has been added. It is respectfully requested that new claims 16-20 be approved and entered.

ELECTION

Applicant hereby elects the Third Species, Fig. 7, for further prosecution on the merits in the event that a generic claim is ultimately found not to be allowable. This election is made without traverse.

The claims readable on the elected species of Fig. 7 are claims 1, 4 and new claims 16-20.

It is respectfully requested that prosecution on the merits now proceed on the basis of the election set forth above.

If a generic claim is ultimately found to be allowable, it is requested that the Examiner consider claims directed to non-elected species, so long as such claims depend from or otherwise include the subject matter of an allowed generic claim.

If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,

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